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King's Park Master Plan

Snow Delayed Planning Meeting Rescheduled

The Fairfax County Park Authority has rescheduled the initial public planning meeting for the revision of the Kings Park Park master plan. The meeting, set for last week, was delayed due to inclement weather. The meeting will now be held on Thursday, March 13, 2008 at 8 p.m. in the cafeteria at Kings Park Elementary School at 5400 Harrow Way in Springfield, VA.

The Park Authority will revise the master plan for Kings Park Park, located at 8717 Trafalgar Court in Springfield. The existing master plan was approved in 1967. In 2006, the Park Authority acquired an adjacent one-acre tract that was formerly the site of the Royal Pool. The purpose of the Master Plan Revision is to update the General Management Plan and Conceptual Development Plan for the park and to consider future uses for the newly acquired tract. For more information visit us online at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/kingspark.htm>.

Kings Park Park is a 9.2-acre local park surrounded on all four sides by single-family residences. The park is accessible by car from Trafalgar Court and Parkway Place and by foot from a trail leading to Cromwell Drive. The park has two parking lots, two tennis courts, two basketball courts, a playground, a small diamond ball field and a loop trail. The recently added one-acre tract has about ½ acre of open grassy area surrounded by woods (in 2007 the Park Authority removed all above-ground structures and filled in the pool area). The remaining areas of the park are forested with a perennial stream at the northern edge.

This meeting will feature a presentation about the site's current conditions, possible future uses, and the park master planning process. Following the presentation, the meeting will continue with a moderated question-and-answer session to identify community concerns as well as suggestions for future park features. Once the draft master plan revision is completed, it will be presented for comment to the community through a public hearing, anticipated to be held in the fall of 2008. Comments can be mailed to Andrea Dorlester, Project Manager, Planning & Development Division, Fairfax County Park Authority, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 406, Fairfax, VA 22035. Email comments should be sent to parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov.

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